Laborers Busy Near Salinas; **Work Plentiful**

ager of Laborers Union 272 of Salinas, reported last week that work for members of this union is continuing to be unusually good for this season of the year, with a gressive party of California on small unemployment reported.

At King City, he said, sewer and water main installations are being started at the Fair Grounds, which is being enlarged. Digging is underway.

Vince Moore, contractor, is nearly finished with the big lumber yard under construction in the Sal- nounced here. inas industrial area.

is in its final two weeks with the used by present major parties and digging of post holes almost com- will decide all major issues in the pleted and the "cleanup" of the open, not behind closed doors. job well underway.

projects in the area.

TWO LABORERS ESCAPE DEATH AS DITCH CAVES

ditch in which they were working collapsed, two members of Salinas Laborers Union 272 escaped death by suffocation due to quick action of co-workers who dug them out.

The two, Ray Pratt and Tenolia Parish, were only bruised as result of the fall, although extensive Xray examinations were given to determine if any internal injuries resulted, Business Manager J. B. McGinley of the union reported. The laborers were working in a

ditch on South Main St. near Romie Lane, a sewer project, when the side-walls collapsed supposedly

sand from their heads so they might breathe and then waited until fellow workers helped them escape from their sandy prison, Mc-

New King City Business Agent Shows Ability

officials are reported as impressed | Evening School beginning Decemwith the new business representa- ber 1. tive of King City Carpenters Union 1279, who has been initiated to his this subject in the day high school new duties in the area.

organizational efforts in the southern portion of the county was held.

Harter says Hill is co-operating closely with the Salinas union offi-King City, Soledad and Gonzales by union officials of Salinas to unionize the district.

One of the chief bones of contention in the unionizing drive is Con- high school building, but with a ractor Homer Ripley, former bu- week or so between sessions dursiness agent of Carpenters 1279, ing the Christmas holidays. who is operating non-union at present, it was reported.

MORE FISH TRUCKED IN

Several more loads of mackerel and sardines were trucked into the Kentucky Federation of Teach-Monterey fish canneries from ers (AFL) organize locals in the southern ports last week, keeping mining country in southeastern the canneries busy on the pack. Kentucky, according to President Only a few plants, however, are Patrick Kirwan of the Teachers' able to receive fish by this method Union. and others, with no fish being caught from Monterey's port, are generally idle.

to San Xavier, Sun Harbor, Edgewater, Aeneas and Enterprise can- their support in the campaign to neries last week, and most of the pack was at night.

vanced that reason for the ab- ent-Teachers Association, guaransence of sardines from the Monte- teed that the UMW would permit rey waters is the use of depth no intimidation of the teachers charges in and near the bay during from any source in their efforts the war by the nation's fighting to expand their organization.

Telephone Co. Starts Building

Construction of a new building for the telephone company has

Excavation for the building is under way and many laborers tative A. B. Woodward, G. K. Hartley law's provision barring up dues book with you.

Backers of 3rd **Party Declare** Response Good

SAN FRANCISCO—The drive to place the Independent Prothe ballot next year has been so successful thus far that the new organization has already leased the largest hall in Sacramento for its state convention August 7, 1948, it was an-

This convention, the party prom-The highway job north of Salinas ised, will reverse the policy often

The organizing committee for the Erection of steel on the Sears new party has already secured 60,store job is about to start, McGin- 000 of the 275,970 signatures needley concluded in his summary of ed to put the party on the ballot in 1948. The drive has been under way since October 1 and must be completed by early February. A pamphlet entitled "Of the Peo-

> ple." declares: "Only in California must a new party obtain 275,970 signatures to qualify," she said. "Laws in comparable major states such as Pennsylvania and Illinois require only 25,000 signatures, while Michigan requires only 12,000."

Further legislative restrictions require a new party to qualify before the state primaries and national nominating conventions are held, it was pointed out. ALTERNATIVE WEAPON

The new party, the pamphlet declared, would support progressive candidates of major parties, but would nominate its own candidates where the major parties fail to select progressives.

"So far as the Presidency is concerned," it said, "the new party will be interested in one key point: because of the vibration of passing That the people of California have a choice between a progressive and Both men managed to clear the a reactionary candidate. How that choice can be guaranteed remains to he seen "

Voters supporting the position of Henry Wallace, however, "must not be denied a political expression in 1948," the Progressive party de-

Slide Rule Classes Set at Salinas

tices may enroll in the slide rule Salinas building trades union class to be taught at the Salinas

Evert Lindquist, who teaches and who has also taught the Business Representative J. Hill course for several years at the of the south county city met with evening school, says that he will Carl Lara, business agent of elec- use films and film strips this seatricians and painters, and George son. Films to be used are pro-Harter, business agent of carpen- duced by the same company that ters in Salinas, and a discussion of provided visual aids for the armed forces.

The class is free and is of especial value to everyone in trades and industries who have estimatcials. More visits will be made to ing to do or who handle large quantities of figures.

It will meet twice a week for six weeks on Mondays and Wednesdays in Room 18 of the

Mine Workers Help Organize Teachers

LOUISVILLE - The active support and assistance of the United Mine Workers (AFL) has helped

Prior to the organization of a local in Letcher County, Secretary George Lundy of the UMW local Most of the trucked-in fish went promised the teachers the wholehearted backing of the miners and raise wages and teaching standards in the county. Lundy, who Meanwhile, the theory was ad- is also president of the local Par-

Machinists Pick 5 Delegates to Salinas Council

Congress Balks

In special session Congress sits with prospects that little or nothing will be done to relieve the pressing needs of today. The real reason for this attitude of Congress is that the majority of its members are simply no good for the masses of the American people as they have amply demonstrated themselves to be subservient tools of big business. During the first session of this Congress its leading members worked for little else than legislation to help the rich get other at the expense of the masses of our people. Their chief achievement was the passage of antilabor legislation, intended to wreck the unions and undermine present wage standards. They completed the destruction of price controls leaving living costs to soar as high as the manipulators see fit to force them up. The only tax reduction they twice tried to put over was one that amounted to thousands of dollars saved for the big profiteers and only a few pennies a month for people with ordinary income. The inevitable result of such a law would be to shift some more of the staggering load of our national debt from the shoulders of the wealthy to the backs of the people of only moderate means. Instead of reducing our national debt this Congress has shown ready willingness to increase it to pour loans into Europe and China. which nobody expects ever will be repaid. At the same time they have crippled some of our most useful government operations by reducing previous appropriations.

President Truman in his mes sage of last Monday pointed out a number of actions badly needed right now. But who expects such a good for nothing Congress as we have now to do anything worth while about it? Carpenters May If it feathers the nests of the profiteers, or lowers the standards of living for our common people, or wrecks labor unions and cooperatives, this Congress likely will be for it. Instead of having a special session to demonstrate these tendencies what we really need is to get good and ready to give Congress a thorough house cleaning at the coming primary elections, which will be here before you know it.

Tip From Jap Both journeymen and appren- Tycoon on How To Lick Labor

ment councils be exploited to the greatest extent possible. In time of the cement firm. dispute, management can gain time through the council's and thus \$1.62½ per hour and would get dispirit the workers. If prolonged \$1.75 under the offered wage innegotiations is hoped for, bring a large quantity of cigarets . . ." The manual, published by the Gifu Managerial Assn., is being used by the Electrical Workers Union to educate its workers on management tactics.

Chinese Cabbies Pull Sit-Down on "Flats"

striking taxi drivers here have of the maintenance rate. made it impossible for scabs to drive their vehicles. The strikers new Secretary "sat down" in the cabs, first taking precaution of deflating tires.

Bucks T-H Law



After listening to Californi State Federation of Labor President John F. Shelley urge a state \$2 levy on all members to fight the first Thursday of the month Five delegates have been elected anti-labor congressmen and to en- at Carpenters Hall, 422 North been started on Franklin St. in by Salinas Michinists and Mechan-deavor to secure a reapportion- Main St., Salinas, Calif. Monterey, reports S. M. Thomas, ics Union 1824 to attend the Sali- ment of the State Senate on the business agent for Monterey La- nas Central Labor Council, with basis of population, 200 delegates ture meetings of this local union; which this union is now affiliated. voted approval. This is the first only members in good standing Named were Business Represen- statewide defiance of the Taft- will be admitted. Bring your paidhave been called to the job, said Gunn, Jim Wilkin, H. E. Paden assessments on unionists for polit-

BUTCHERS GET

Effective on Monday of this Secretary Earl A. Moorhead of the

sonville and San Benito county areas under jurisdiction of Local 506. In Santa Cruz city and vicinity the butchers voted to continue their 48-hour week, Moorhead said.

week will be \$73 for journeymen, these people? \$78 for head meat cutters, as compared with the former wage for

Meat markets will remain open you ask? six days a week, but provision is

Relief butchers will receive the pase rate if they work a five-day Taft-Hartley law. week for the same employer in order to give regular butchers a day off. Relief butchers who relieve for several various employers will receive a higher scale as "extra men."

In Santa Cruz the butchers will get \$85 for their 48-hour week, \$90 for head meat cutters.

Negotiations were between the union and the Central Coast Counties Council of Retail Food Dealers. with both sides assisted by special representatives.

Seek Separate Permanente Pact

Carpenters Union 925 of Salinas is "not too happy" about the 12.5 to answer? cent wage increase offered maintenance carpenters at the Nativi- Hartley Act, if you swear at them in a wallet. dad and Moss Landing plants of the for any reason you are using in-Permanente Metals Corp. under timidation. The law does not conthe area agreement negotiated in cern itself with the conduct of San Jose two weeks ago, and a separate contract covering carpenters in these two plants may be sought, Business Manager George R. Harter of the union reports.

Harter attended early negotiations meetings and then declined pose we can't even call them to attend further meetings where TOKYO-A tip to the Natl. Assn. the small increase was discussed. of Manufacturers from Japan's big He reported about the negotiations businessmen is offered in a manual to his union last week with the reon how to break strikes: "It is sult that the union considered adrecommended that labor-manage- visability of seeking a separate Monterey County agreement with

Maintenance carpenters now ge crease. Construction scale for carpenters here now is \$2.00, with prospects of an increase in a few months. Construction carpenters are getting almost steady employ-

ment in Salinas area. Harter pointed out that at one time the differential between the carpenter maintenance scale and the construction scale was only 41/2 cents this several years ago. Since that time the construction SHANGHAI — Several hundred scale has increased steadily ahead

Appointed for Cleaners Union Edna Sloan was named last week

to fill the office of secretary of Dry Cleaners Union 258B of Salinas, succeeding Violet Mannix, who resigned the secretary post. Business Agent John W. Deer

said that Miss Mannix was leaving Salinas. Secretary Sloan will serve until next elections. Local 258B will hold a "pot luck" suupper at 7:30 p.m., Saturday,

December 6, at Salinas Carpenters Hall, Deer added. Three new members were ini tiated into the union at last week's

meeting. Deer said. **Attention All Members** Of Teamsters 890

In the future all regular meet-

We ask that you attend all fu-BY ORDER OF THE

EXECUTIVE BOARD.

WHEN IS SCAB NOT A SCAB? The following was taken from a

Petaluma newspaper (October 27, 1947) and was issued by the California State Council of Retail Clerks. We reprint it for benefit of our members:

PETALUMA-The rights of laweek, butchers of San Jose Local bor under the Taft-Hartley Act 506 were on a five-day work week were explained with chalk and 100 percent union, it was announce with wage adjustments and im- blackboard frankness by an NLRB ed this week by Bro. Al Harris, proved working conditions, reports examiner at a hearing on employer charges in a strike against the Sunset Line & Twine Co. here. The new work week provision Examination of Business Agent Ira applies to Salinas, Monterey, Wat- Vail of Local 6, Intl. Longshoremen's Union, went like this:

EXAMINER: The company re ported that two of your people spread tacks on the street to cause punctures on the cars driving Wages for the 40-hour, 5-day through the picket lines. Who are

EXAMINER: If the company made whereby employers may re- can prove you are guilty it would lieve regular butchers one day each bear out their contention that you week or may work the regular are intimidating the strikebreakweek or may work the regular are intimidating the strikebreak-butchers all six days, at scales ers—and on those grounds the NLRB could have an injunction issued against picketing under the

> VAIL: Our people are trying to pick up the tacks-not spread

EXAMINER: Did or did not one of the girls on the picket line open the door of a car carrying a strikebreaker? VAIL: Why, yes, I believe she

did. Why? EXAMINER: On these grounds under the Taft-Hartley Act, the company claims you are using force against the strikebreaker. Did anybody use profanity on your

VAIL: The scab had been using vulgarity toward our girls every day. He shouts vile language at EXAMINER: That hasn't any-

VAIL: You mean that under the Taft-Hartley Act, even if a scab curses at you, you are not allowed EXAMINER: Under the Taft-

thing to do with it.

anyone TOWARD the picket line. VAIL: It so happened our people did not use profanity. What hap- in Salinas. pened was that our girl told the scab, "Will you please be more careful of your language?" I sup-

EXAMINER: I believe there was a judicial decision recently which allows pickets to use the word "scab"-but we're not sure how the usage of the word "scab" is interpreted under the Taft-Hart-

ley Act. VAIL: How about the scabs throwing things at our people

from the windows? EXAMINER: The Taft-Hartley law is concerned only with the conduct of the pickets toward the people inside. VAIL: What protection have we

EXAMINER: Under the Taft-Hartley law? VAIL: Pardon me. I shouldn's have asked.

Jack Long May Resign as Head Of Box Makers

Jack Long, president of Box Makers Union 3034 of Salinas, announced last week that he will resign this post as he will be working out of the Salinas area, Business Representative Jim Sims of the union stated.

Long's resignation will be before the membership meeting of Thursday, December 4, and if accepted, a successor will be named at this meeting.

Many members of Local 3034 are traveling to the Imperial Valley area with the Salinas season about to end, Sims said. A meeting of the local will be held in Watsonville on Tuesday of

Culinary 467 Signs Three **Local Houses**

this week, he added.

Three more restaurants in the jurisdiction of Culinary Alliance 467 of Salinas have signed union agreements, reports Secretary Bertha Boles of the union.

Lee Ann's, seven miles south of Salinas on Highway 101; Our Place Cafe, 230 North Main St., Salinas; and the Rock Haven, 15

YELLOW AND CHECKER CABS

ating in the Salinas area, are now president Teamsters and Ware housemen's Local 890.

The cab firm, operated by Fred Emlay, has signed a union agreement with Local 890, under which is conforms with all of the wage, hour, and working conditions of the union and is therefore entitled to the full patronage of organized labor.

"All members of organized labor in the Salinas area are urged to VAIL: Our people did not spread patronize Yellow and Checker cabs ship that has existed" between tacks on the highway-many of and thereby gain the satisfaction 48 hours of \$79.20 and \$85. Where our people travel that road and of knowing they are patronizing a butchers work 48-hour week now we don't want to hurt our own firm that is supporting the AFL they will receive \$94.02 and \$101.37. brothers and sisters. But why do program for decent working and living conditions in the community." Bro. Harris said.

The Central Labor Council at Salinas wishes to inform all local unions to pay strict attention to the following notice:

or secretaries contact all members its terms and making things so one additional member shall be seto check and make sure that all members are registered as voters. When members pay dues, have them show proof that they are registered to vote. Certificates showing the name of

should be given to each union member. These certificates are

Places open daily where people the closed shop. In the face of these laws the ITU... is forcing a means of enforcing jurisdictional ty Court House on West Alisal St.,

Carpenters Union Hall, 422 North the ITU with: Main St., Salinas,

Salinas. John Sts. in Salinas. Most real estate offices in

Salinas area. Most union constitutions and bylaws provide that all members of claims, violates Section 8 (b) (3) the union, to be in good standing, of the act, and is an unfair labor New Setup Will Take must be registered to vote.

Please act now to make sure that ALL union members are reg-

Pete Balestra To Retire As Bartender B. A.

Peter C. Balestra, secretary and business agent of Bartenders Union 545 of Salinas for the past years, will retire from this post in January when new officers assume their

Balestra declined to accept nomnation at the two nomination meetings of the union.. Al Clark and Marcus Barnes were nominated for the position and election for all officers will be Monday, Dec. 1, it was reported. On the ballot for the election

For president-William Harrison (unopposed). For vice president—Virgil Knight

(unopposed). For secretary-business agent-Al Clark and Marcus Barnes. Other contests are slated for the executive board, trustees and union chaplain.

Monterey J. C. **Building Starts**

McQuaide near Watsonville to the already expired and the remainder new Monterey Junior College site run out in 1948 and 1949. on Fremont Ave. was started last week by Harold Geyer, building contractor. Geyer has had crews of union

foundations for the buildings, which formerly were barracks at government's anti-labor campaign, the Army encampment.

voting.-LABOR LEADER.

PUBLISHERS OF 15 STATES ATTACKING PRINTERS' UNION

WASHINGTON-A grand offensive to restore the open shop in the printing trade has been launched from the Taft-Hartley act's convenient springboard by the Southern Newspaper Publishers Assn. against the Intl. Typographical Union (AFL) and 124 of its local unions in 15 southern states.

In the most sweeping attack made against organized labor since the passage of the slave-labor law, the SNPA said it acted "with great reluctance" because of the way its newspaper members cherished and respected the "excellent relationthem and the ITU "for nearly a century."

Secretary-Manager Walter C. Johnson of the SNPA retained Atty. Thurman Arnold's law firm of Arnold, Fortas & Porter to represent his 194 members in the case filed with the NLRB's regional office at Cincinnati.

SEEK INJUNCTIONS

The SNPA brief charges the ITU HALT BEEFS and its locals in the south with five specific violations of the Taft-Hartley act and asks the NLRB designed to adjust jurisdictional to go into U.S. District Court for disputes and settle strikes is now an injunction to force the union being distributed to members of the to cease the alleged unfair labor Chicago Federation of Labor and practices, permit the hiring of employer groups.

former trust-buster Arnold, it is following points: charged that the ITU national administration is dominating the lo- the CFL will be permanent memcal unions, threatening economic bers of an advisory committee on Have all business representatives reprisals on publishers who refuse jurisdictional issues. In every case, tough that "no single publisher can lected by the contesting unions. safely fight the ITU or, indeed, This group shall select one imseek relief from the NLRB." CHARGE COERCION

The publishers explained they the registered voter, the county relieve them "from present union The committee report shall be isrolled the voter are available and coercion designed to prevent them from obeying state and national laws. Congress has spoken against member. These certificates are the closed shop. Seven of the states small cards, which can be carried in which members of this association which members of this association which members of the states in which we will be states in which members of tion operate have also forbidden County clerk's office in the coun- the closed shop on the printing

1. Refusal to bargain. It claims justed at the conference table. Labor Temple, 117 Pajaro St.., the ITU is operating a "sham con- 6. Every affiliated union contemtract" policy that makes a refusal plating a strike shall give the CFL Teamsters Union office, Main and to bargain charge difficult to prove, an opportunity to attempt to have but that a 60-day termination the parties reach a settlement. the clause and refusal to consider ne- 7. The CFL invites cooperation gotiating on ITU laws was "de- of all employer organizations in signed in bad faith to insure re- carrying out the program. jection by employers." This, it

> 2. The closed shop. The publishers charge that the tradition of Place of USO Camps union foremen doing the hiring and HOLLYWOOD - A permanent firing maintains the closed shop, committee for providing entertainand that a shortage of printers ment for the sick and wounded in means no paper "can afford a strike veterans' hospitals has been set up of prolonged duration." This, it by the Hollywood Coordinating claims, violates Section 8 (b) (2) Committee, to replace the defunct of the act.

in strikes to force publishers to broadcasters' associations. give them any composition work they choose rather than to members of any other union or craft. It charges this violates Section 8 (b) (4) and (D) of the act.

4. Illegal denial of individual freedom to employees and of freedom of employers to select representatives. The SNPA says the ITU threatens expulsion of members who violate its rules; restrains and coerces non-union printers, and prohibits publishers from retaining anyone but ITU members as foremen. This it claims violates Section 8 (b) (1) of the act.

5. Make work and featherbedding. Here the SNPA alleges the union requires "payment for services not performed" (in being paid for the use of mats and boiler plate) and that it violates Section 8 (b) (6) of the act.

The newspapers represented constitute 90 per cent of all daily papers in Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, New Mexico, North and South Carolina, Oklahoma, Tennes see, Texas, Virginia and West Vir-Moving of buildings from Camp ginia. A total of 87 contracts have

Nicaragua Takes Up workmen preparing the ground and Fascist Labor Stand

MANAGUA - Incensed by the state and municipal employes have voted to affiliate for the first time In politics it is perfectly possible to the Nicaraguan Federation of miles north of Salinas on Highway to get something for nothing. We Labor. New bills proposed by the 101, have signed contracts, she got the Taft-Hartley Act for not government would deprive government employes of civil rights.

Mrs. FDR on Loyalty "The more I think about one clause in the President's executive (loyalty) order, the more troubled I am. Under this clause I am afraid it would be possible to declare subversive many organizations that are simply in opposition to the thinking of certain powerful groups."
—ELEEANOR ROOSEVELT.

CHICAGO HAS PROGRAM TO

CHICAGO - A 7-point program

non-union printers and enter into The program, prepared by the contracts that violate ITU laws. | CFL and entitled A Program for In the SNPA brief prepared by Industrial Peace consists of the

1. The president and secretary of partial member.

2. CFL officers shall answer any

request for the committee's services or may tender the committee's services on their own initiative. sued for guidance to all affiliated unions.

tee shall be reported to the CFL

demands shall be avoided 5. It is the intent of the CFL Specifically, the SNPA charges to eliminate as far as possible all work stoppages that can be ad-

USO-Camp Shows. The Hollywood 3. Jurisdictional strikes and sec- film and radio guilds and unions ondary boycotts. Here the SNPA are sponsoring the new organizasays ITU members have engaged tion, along with the producers' and

HONOR BRIGHT!



Have YOU registered to vote, or are you one of those who keep "putting it off" until it's past the deadline and you find you can't vote on election day? Remember, the vote of every unionist will be needed in the coming elections to elect Labor's friends and defeat Labor's enemies. Every good union man or woman refuses to "rat" in the polling placehe REGISTERS and VOTES. Don't put it off any longer-DO IT TODAY!

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PEACE-IT'S WONDERFUL!

Bob Travis, foreign correspondent for Allied Labor News, has just toured the American zone in Germany. ed, informing them of management He says: "The German people, all high-pressure prop- plans. aganda in the U.S. notwithstanding, are about the best dressed and healthiest looking in Europe." He adds:

told me coolly: Yes, she ate very well throughout the year; the food situation is bad now for the first time but you can get more with influence; yes, it's harder now without slave labor at home to do the washing, scrubbing, cooking, mending, gardening; well, at least she had enough nice sport and dress clothes for the winter. She was the girl who said casually that the highway along which we were riding had been built by slave laborers, working 10 to 12 hours a day, and that thousands of them had died from mistreatment and malnutrition and were buried right in the cement roadbed under our wheels.

"One Munich anti-fascist who had survived 12 years of concentration camps remarked bitterly: 'Just visit an average German home. You'll find a rug from Serbia, curtains from Poland, china from Holland, wines from France. For six years the rest of Europe was starved

Commenting on the displaced persons situation, about which there has been so much controversy in the Unit- of the workers had a map showing

ed Nations, Travis reports:

"There are more than 400,000 non-Jewish displaced persons in the American zone who are being fed (better than any Europeans outside Germany), clothed and housed by American taxpayers. Most are fas-cists who don't dare return to their homelands for fear of being prosecuted as collaborators and murderers. One American sergeant of the Stuttgart constabulary told me: 'Most of the guys in these camps, except the Jews, of course, were pro-Nazi. They won't work. They just play the black market with the stuff we give them. All they talk about is when the Americans will give them guns so they can go home and overthrow their governments or else they just concentrate on talking up another war, this time between Russia and the States." "Peace in our time?"

HUMAN COST OF WAR

The Encyclopedia Britannica has released to the step to meet this situation. press part of an article written for it by Secretary of The Federation again wishes to cott suit litigated by the National State George C. Marshall (former chief of staff) on casualties in the late war. He says belligerents on both casualties in the late war. He says belligerents on both sistance to the strikers. Send con-|RULING OF BOARD sides lost more than 15 million. Among the main bel- tributions to the Di Giorgio Strike ligerents on the Allied side, losses ran, in proportion to population of the country, as follows:

United States—1 in every 500 (295,904). France—1 in every 200 (200,000).

China—1 in every 200 (2,200,000). United Kingdom (England)—1 in every 150 (305,-

Soviet Union-1 in every 22 (7,500,000).

In other words, to win World War II, the Russians sustained human losses nearly six times greater than England; nearly 10 times greater than France or China; and nearly 25 times greater than the United

The Russian losses, to put it in another way, were considerably over twice those of the United States, France, China and England put together.

In addition, the Russians suffered losses on their own territory from looting and destruction by the Axis enemy estimated in the neighborhood of over \$150 billion. The United States suffered none.

Maybe this partly explains Russian "stubbornness" at Lake Success.

A NOTE OF SANITY

If we made this statement, we would probably be called "subversive" and both the Thomas and Tenney committees would be on our trail. But it was made in the report of the President's Committee on Civil Rights Fresno have organized the -a representative group of 15 Americans headed by that conservative capitalist, Charles E. Wilson, president of General Electric. Anyway, we suggest that the witch-hunters clip this out and paste it on their shaving

"The United States is not so strong, the final triumph free speech and freedom of the of the democratic ideal is not so inevitable, that we can ignore what the world thinks of our record. Public and measure that will contribute excitement about 'Communists' has gone far beyond the to the welfare of the community dictates of good judgment and calmness. A state of hysteria now threatens to inhibit the freedom of genuine ning, November 8, at the Fresno democrats."

HOLLYWOOD AND POLAND

Poland, we have been told for some time, is behind the iron curtain and is Moscow's jumping-jack. "Poland the following: Mrs. Wallace Henof Today," official English publication of the Polish derson, President; Mrs. Bill O'Rear, Embassy in Washington, reports in the current issue that 150 foreign motion pictures will be shown in theatres in Poland during the winter season. Of the 150 of Fresno is to sparkplug the forpictures, 60 are American, 40 are Soviet, 20 are English, a half-dozen are French, a few are Italian, and only set an example for the enthere will also be two or three each from Sweden and tire state, but for other states as Czechoslovakia. Of the 150, over two-thirds are from "western" nations. The iron curtain must have a lot of caping holes in it! gaping holes in it!

DI GIORGIO **OPERATIONS CLOSE DOWN**

(Release from State Fed. of Labor)

SAN FRANCISCO-Following the repatriation of the Mexican nationals, practically all operations at the Di Giorgio Ranch have closed down. The packing shed has ceased operations, and since it will be impossible to ship the remainder of the grapes on the vine, they will have to be crushed for wine. Pruning is about to start. ranch will need 1,000 men. many of whom must be fairly skilled.

The union anticipates that a concerted effort will be made on the part of the management to enroll strikebreakers. Numerous rumors have been afloat that efforts were being made to recruit Japanese, Mexicans and Filipinos. The National Farm Labor Union is alert to all possible developments and has made every effort to contact the various groups to keep them informed as to strike conditions on the Di Giorgio Ranch. Twenty thousand leaflets have been distributed by the union in the surrounding towns, as well as in sections where labor is to be recruit-

ADVERTISE ON RADIO

ed over the radio, in Spanish, the ed. No mention was made of strike conditions.

The threatened eviction of the strikers is being handled by Federation Attorney Scully, who spent several days with the strikers in review of all legal matters in-

A number of workers were sent by the Department of Agriculture's Farm Labor Division, but were Tennessee. turned back by the pickets. Some how to reach the ranch. This matter is being taken up with the Agricultuure Department, which is being reminded that it is a violation of Section 973 of the California Labor Code to send workers to a job where a strike is involved without informing the workers of this condition

SEND IN DONATIONS!

are true that the company will make a determined drive to recruit strikebreakers to take care of the pruning. The union is taking every

& Relief Fund, c/o Kern County der instructions from the General the decision actually turned—the day a saleslady breezed into the dent thought that while post-war Central Labor Union, Box 773, Ba- Counsel, contended before the conduct complained of having oc- front room of his house, which suffering in Europe lasted, it was kersfield, California.

Hard Knocks

Elmo Roper, commenting in the New York Herald Tribune on the Fortune Magazine "Consumer Outlook" poll, said the public was asked this key ques-

Compared with six months ago, are you finding it harder, easier, or about the same to make both ends meet? The answers:

	Total '
Harder	57.7
Easier	5.6
Same	32.9
Express no opinion	3.8

WOMEN IN FRESNO TO **ORGANIZE**

SAN FRANCISCO - Pioneering a very important and muchneeded movement, the women relatives of trade unionists in Women's Council of Fresno to not. Conversely, however, the situation is both gratifying and enenhance the prestige of the local labor movement, and to encourage the development of religious freedom, racial equality, press. The Council lists as one of its objectives to support every move as a whole.

A banquet held Saturday eve-Hotel, was addressed by Secretary Haggerty and President John F. Shelley who commended the founders of the movement for this

important undertaking. Officers of the organization are Vice-President; Mrs. Clem Fuller,

Secretary-Treasurer. . The aim of the Women's Council

THE MARCH OF LABOR



The company has already releas-"One German girl bank clerk from Weinheim, near Heidelberg, meed for workers at 80 cents an hour, with living quarters furnish-DIST. COURT RULING CITED

(Release from State Federation of Labor)

SAN FRANCISCO-That there will be no rubber stamps for the General Counsel of the National Labor Relations Board will open hearings on this subject in stopping action against secondary boycotts which he believes to violate the Taft-Hartley Act, was evidenced in a decision into the territory as strikebreakers issued by the Federal District Court for the eastern district of

In denying the Labor Board's though beginning before the Act verse the Board. became effective as to unfair labor DISTRICT COURT RULING practices, was in violation because t continued beyond that date. The doubtedly develop if the reports not effective when the strike be-

This was the first secondary boy- of the controversy."

Court that the order bringing the curred prior to the effective date to a strike, and continued as an may not be expected to arise very abiding situation after the Act be- often again. the effective date of the Act."

mination that there is a reasonable a complaint to the Federal Court. "cause" existing to believe that a charge against a union is "true" handling unfair logs for a long to seek an injunction from a dis- time and had stubbornly refused trict court, the Act does not make to sign any agreement with the grant the injunction. The law does ion. After protesting this attitude, not require the Court to issue any the Union and the Labor Council "deem just and proper."

Board, in making its determination couraging.

constitutes unfair labor practice, is ment to the T-H law, and a ban Hitler together. as to whether specified conduct General Counsel an injunction not bound by the holding of a dis- on industry-wide bargaining. against a secondary boycott, the trict court in an injunction case. Court differed on several points Only the Federal Circuit Courts of with the General Counsel, who ar- Appeal and the Supreme Court gued that a strike-boycott, al- have appellate jurisdiction to re-

The District Court in this case summed up the situation as fol-Court held that there was no vio- lows: "The only jurisdiction of this lation, first, because the law was Court is for injunctive relief, pendgan, and second, since the workers Board. The determination of any were no longer employees after of the issues by this Court are, they ceased work, there was no therefore, of small significance as concerns the ultimate adjustment

Failure of the Board's Counse sidered as of any long-run signifi-

came effective. The Court rejected | In a situation arising out of the this contention and held the facts Northern California lumber strike, of the case "do not come within the National Labor Relations the provisions of the Act because Board stated its belief that the eviall the conduct upon which these dence involving a mill company in facts are based occurred prior to the town of Orick, in Humboldt County, which had filed a com-This decision illustrates that, al- plaint claiming that the picket line it mandatory upon the Board's unfair logs was in violation of the justice deliberately, "but she's been agreements. He remembered, as \$7,742,676.62 and disbursements of though the Taft-Hartley Act makes established against its handling of General Counsel-after his deter- Taft-Hartley Act, did not warrant

This mill company had been it mandatory upon the Court to Lumber and Sawmill Workers Unrestraining order or injunction at finally installed a picket line for all, and it gives additional discre- the purpose of publicizing the distion to the Court to issue such pute and inducing the mill to sign orders as the Court itself may a union contract. When the NLRB intimated that court action would Secondly, the District Court is be taken for an injunction, the Unnot bound by the findings of the ion, through Federation attorney Board's General Counsel or his in- Clarence Todd, took firm ground terpretation of the law. Thus, in by maintaining that the picket line the case under discussion, the Gen- was not in violation of the Act, and eral Counsel contended that the was, moreover, protected by the "strike" was an unfair labor prac- Bill of Rights of the United States tice, but the Court held that it was Constitution. The outcome of this

WHO ARE THE AMERICANS?

Here are a few quotations from distinguished people about the tactics of the House Committee on Un-American Activities: WENDELL WILLKIE: "The investigation and harassment of free expression in the United States is a procedure, once accepted, that may be applied to the theatre, press, radio and finally to the right of public officials and private citizens to speak freely. As American citizens we protest this as vigorously as possible. . . ."
FRANKLIN D. ROOSEVELT: "I am disturbed . . . because a con

gressional committee charged with the responsibility of investigating un-American activities should have permitted itself to be used in a flagrantly unfair and un-American attempt . . ."
SENATOR CLAUDE PEPPER: "I am an American and it's none

of your business what I say, what I think, what I believe and what I SENATOR GLENN H. TAYLOR: ". . . a fascist-minded body whose

activities are parallel with those of pre-war leaders in fascist Ger-

many, Italy, and Japan."
FORMER VICE-PRESIDENT HENRY A. WALLACE: "From here where Elijah fought the prophets of Baal and close to the Mount of Jesus' famous sermon, people without fear ask, 'has America really gone crazy? Is the Un-American Committee evidence that America is must answer NO so loudly the people of the world can hear. You must destroy the Un-American Committee at the polls and in the courts or it will destroy many of the foundations of democracy and Christian-

UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT (in 1945 decision): "If there

Party Leaders Pull in Horns; **Fear Election**

WASHINGTON—Republican and Democratic leaders gathered in Washington for the special session found themselves in virtual agreement on just two scores.

There will be no further antilabor legislation of a major type either in Congress or the state legislatures in 1948, and there will testified before House and Senate GOP's "aid-the-rich" tax program priority to restoring Germany's inin the session beginning in January.

out that only eight legislatures goods, etc. Only in Germany is the convene next year, and the 17 first emphasis on coal and steel. states that enacted anti-labor legis- Republican Senate Leader Roblation last year feel that to go ert A. Taft thinks the whole Marfarther in a national election year shall program is too big. But on would be dangerous. GETTING SCARED?

In Congress it is now admitted that the Republicans are more than a little frightened at the trend of recent elections and public opinion polls. Sen. Robert Taft (R., Ohio), congressional GOP leader, has declared that the Taft-Hartley law will remain "as is" until after the elections and party strategists have definitely turned thumbs down on any action that would alienate the EXPERIENCE IN GERMANY nation's wage-earner vote more han it has been already.

scriptions after January 1. Hartley in mid-January. LABOR TRUST' ACTION

Seen as hopeless are Hartley's

Election - minded Republicans

Absent Some Time

did a little law work and justice- ple by starving them, or to punish of-the-peac-ing in a small near-by them economically beyond the just town. He was a reticent man, say- need of replacing what they had The Board's representative, un- cance, since the issue upon which ing little but observing much. One smashed abroad. The late Presi served as an office, and inquired only fair that the Germans should union men off the job amounted of the Taft-Hartley amendments— if his wife was home. "No, she bear the brunt. But ultimately his int. Teamsters Net ain't home," the justice said.

visitor asked. "Nope, have a chair."

"Where is your wife?"

be gone?"

out there 11 years now."

IS MARSHALL PLAN TO MAKE GERMANY STAGE COMEBACK?

NEW YORK-Congress is set to consider the first installment of Marshall plan funds for Europe. At the same time, in London, the Big Four foreign ministers are to meet on the fate of

Actually Germany is the main ssue in Washington too. Secretary of State George C. Marshall has probably be no final action on the committeemen that he gives high dustrial heart, the Ruhr. Immediate grants to France and Italy are On the state level, it was pointed for food, fertilizers, consumers'

Germany, he is fully agreed. On November 11 he said that "the German policy of the government is even more important . . . than the Marshall plan." Opposing the dismantling even of military factories Taft declared that "any plant built for war purposes can certainly be converted to peace use.' What Taft left unsaid was that it

back again to aggression.

can just as certainly be turned

American soldiers, along with those of Britain, Russia and other At best the union-haters like countries, have had to face Ger-Rep. Fred Hartley (R., N.J.) and man arms twice. France has had Rep Clare Hoffman (R., Mich.) can to do it three times. We wonder only hope for an amendment to the how many people stop to think that Taft-Hartley law directed specifi- this ancient, proved enemy is becally at the American Federation ing groomed again amid talk of of Musicians-AFL for its ban on squashing, or "containing," a forthe making of recordings and tran- mer ally, Russia. We are told that the USSR is the enemy of the future, but that isn't new either. There was a lot of discussion of the "Russian Bear" before World War I and of the "Bolshevik menace" demands for inclusion of organized between World War I and II. But labor under the present anti-trust in the end the west and Russia laws, a "right-to-work" amend- had to fight both the Kaiser and

President Roosevelt never forgot his. His policy was to make (Hartley has announced he will not sure that Germany would never run for re-election) are expected again be the main industrial force to curb Hartley's impetuosity with (and therefore the main fighting a flat insistence that Congress take force) in Europe. First, he wanted no action whatsoever on changing to purge the German militarists the Taft-Hartley law until it has and industrialists who always built received a report of the Joint for war. Second, he was deter-House-Senate Labor Relations mined to dismantle the most dan-Committee (the "watchdog" com- gerous German plants. There could mittee) on how the law has op- be no security until the combined erated. This report is not sched- industries of countries bordering on uled for completion before next Germany, east as well as west, grew to match or exceed those of Germany herself.

ROOSEVELT'S PURPOSE Roosevelt's purpose was not to

Old Sam Russell, many years ago, take revenge on the German peoplan would make all Europe more "Do you mind if I wait?" the prosperous than before. That Worth Is \$16 Million would include a Germany with no way forward except peaceful work, There followed a full hour of and no burden of armaments and of the International Brotherhood waiting. Then the woman asked: war stockpiles, with pulled teeth of Teamsters at the beginning of but a full stomach.

"How long do you think she will was only possible through unity of week. The international reported the wartime allies, as sketched in a sharp increase in its cash and "Well, I don't know," said the the Teheran, Potsdam and Yalta securities as a result of income of

herself up after World War I defeat by trading on inter-allied differences. Then Britain wanted German revival to offset France. America's Wall Street bought heavily into German industries and retooled them to keep down British competition. America, Britain and France all thought it was all right for Germany to re-arm if it was against Russia.

THE GERMAN TACTICS

Germany's rulers, who are smart people, used all these circumstances. They offered the west help against "communism" in the intervention against Russia's revolution in 1918-22, the Locarno Treaty of 1925 and the Munich Pact of 1938. At the same time they peddled non-aggression guarantees to Russia, at a price, in the German-Soviet Pact of 1939. At ment and all peace-loving elements. And all the while they built their own Fascist alliance with Japan and Italy, to seek world power.

Today west German industry is once more being restored for "antired" purposes. Wall Street is back in the picture to a greater extent than ever, having pushed British competition out of the Ruhr. James F. Forrestal of Dillon, Read & Co., which helped build Germany between World Wars I and II, is now U.S. Secretary of Defense. John Foster Dulles, with the same history, helps run foreign policy. People who wanted to limit Germany. from ex-Secretary of the Treasury Henry Morgenthau Jr. down, are practically called traitors. It doesn't look good!

Workers Thaw Out Manager BAKERSFIELD, Calif. - The

shortest strike on record here was won by the Food Tobacco Agricultural & Allied Workers against the California Cotton Compress & Warehouse Co.

Pickets arrived at 6:30 a.m. AFL construction workers began to come to work at 7 and refused to pass the lines. They and the workers built a bonfire and kept warm waiting for the plant manager. He got there at 7:55, took one look and began signing the contract, which he had refused to do previously. At 8:05 the strike was over.

The workers are all either Negroes or Mexicans, the AFL workers all white.

INDIANAPOLIS-The net worth this year was \$16,550,620.46, it was "She went out to the cemetery." Such a program, Roosevelt knew, reported to the membership last too few do now, that Germany built \$5,850,620.46, during the year 1946.



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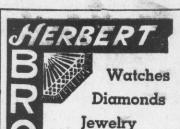
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SAFETY PRECAUTIONS Among other precautions advised the Division recommends that before undertaking any operations near high voltage lines, the local office of the public utilities be contacted to have the lines de-energized, raised or rerouted

And finally, no equipment or tools law on September 19, and is now being strictly enforced.

A Subtle Opinion

Plutarch tells of a Roman, divorced from his wife, who was blamed by friends for the separa-

"Was she not beautiful?" they chorused, "was she not chaste?" The Roman, holding out his shoe for them to see, asked if it were "Yet," he added, "none of you can ing the first of the year. tell where it pinches me."

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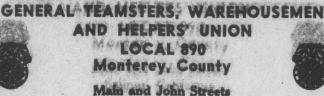


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SALINAS







Salinas, California ATTENTION, ALL ATTENTION, ALL MEMBERS EMPLOYED IN THE LUMBER with overhead high voltage INDUSTRY IN MONTEREY: A contract with seven firms has lines. All of these men could been consumated, calling for wages, hours and conditions have been saved, according to which are identical with those in the Salinas area. When you tics, U.S. Department of Labor. posted of your correct address at the Division of Industrial Safety, read this, copies should have been posted in the various plants.

dependents.

A number of veterans were drop-

reached the two-year limit.

OVERSEAS STUDY

tion ruled today.

ernment appropriations.

university in the United States.

VA will pay customary tuition

charges and fees, provide the books

and equipment needed to complete

WASHINGTON - Secret ballot

elections ordered by the NLRB

prior to the Augu. 22 effective date

revoked in line with the new pol-

icy of barring the board's services

to CIO and AFL unions that have

not complied with the non-com-

munist affidavit provision of the

The NLRB action halted repre-

United Steelworkers at Sandy

Hill Iron & Brass Works, Hudson

Falls, N.Y., covering 465 workers.

son City, Mo., plant of the Inter-

national Shoe Co., 300 workers.

United Shoe Workers, at Jeffer-

International Fur & Leather

United Construction Workers, af-

filiated with the United Mine

Workers, at Pembroke Limestone

Corp., Pembroke, Va., 80 workers;

and at Western Kentucky Gas Co.,

In addition, the NLRB dismissed

petitions of five non-complying un-

ions seeking elections. These un-

ions were the United Furniture

Workers, United Steelworkers, In-

ternational Union of Mine Mill &

Smelter Workers, United Office &

1939-standing at 203.5. The Au-

gust-September spurt was 3.6 per

cent in one month, with price rises

Owensboro, Ky., 40 workers.

Workers at Palmer Packing Co.,

Morgan City, La., 65 workers,

sentation balloting for the follow-

ing unions:

Bill. VA said.

All members of Local 890 are earned income plus subsistence reminded that the Yellow and shall not exceed \$175 a month for ing rigs, pile drivers, hay stackers Checker Cabs, which operate \$200 a month for a veteran with in the Salinas area, are now appeal is being made to industry 100 percent union and therefore deserving of the patronage of ped from training when the two- able to hold their jobs. our members.

> BE SURE TO REGISTER NOW TO BE ABLE TO VOTE IN 1948.

MEMBERS AT SAM REGAS & SONS, SAN JUAN: This agreement has been signed and the wages, hours and conditions are identical with those contained in shall be used within six feet of the rest of the spinach packing inoverhead high voltage lines. This dustries in the area. Minimum latter prohibition was made a state rates for women \$1.00 per hour; minimum rates for men \$1.15 per hour, guaranteed six-hour day, together with vacations, seniority and other conditions such as contained in our fresh vegetable agreements in the area.

ATTENTION, ALL PRODUCE DRIVERS: Our proposals have been properly drawn and copies have been mailed to the various Locals involved for their study. In a short time the Association will be notified and negotiations should not good looking and well made, be in progress immediately follow-

We ask all Produce Drivers to maintain their standing in the Union until transfers are requested by Local 898 upon arrival in the Southern California area.

HAVE YOU REGISTERED TO

PROCESSED MILK PLANTS: Meetings have been held with members working at Pet Milk and the course satisfactorily, and pay Mevenburg Milk Companies in regard to a new contract. The fol- \$65 to veterans without dependlowing Shop Committee has been appointed for the Pet Milk Com- pendents. The veterans must arpany: Juan Vargas, head shop range for their own passports, visteward, Albert Garcia, Sal Vargas sas, transportation overseas, and Milk Company, Bernard Sepulvada select. was elected shop steward. Bulletin boards have been posted at these plants and copies of the present plants and copies of the present agreement are on that board with a letter of instructions to all mem-

Letters have been sent to Mr. Meyers at Pet Milk and Mr. Beacon at Meyenburg Milk Company as to the actions taken at the meeting regarding the shop stewards.

IF YOU HAVE NOT REGIS-TERED TO VOTE, DO IT NOW. of the Taft-Hartley labor act were

IMPORTANT, ALL MEMBERS: Whenever you are out of a job, please contact the Union office for new assignments. Your Union has a list of all types of jobs and if you are a Bakery Driver, or a Milk Driver, we would like to list your name in the category in which you are capable.

As you pay your dues, you will be asked whether or not you are registered to vote. If you are not, you can register at the Union Office when paying your dues. Our constitution and by-laws make it compulsory that all members of this Union become registered voters or file their intentions to become one. From time to time a check will be made with regards to this

We also ask that all of our members maintain their good standing with the Union. Pay your dues at the office of the Union or mail them in before the 15th of the month. Your insurance will avail you nothing if you do not maintain your dues and keep your good standing in the Local Union. Do not depend on a business agent calling at your plant to collect your dues. If in Salinas, pay your dues at the Union Office at Main and John Streets-if in Monterey, at 315 Alvardo on Saturdays and Mondays. REMEMBER TO PATRON-IZE ONLY UNION SERVICES.

MOST IMPORTANT YOU REG-ISTER NOW SO THAT YOU MAY BE ABLE TO VOTE IN THE OPA control-when Bureau of La-COMING ELECTION.

VETERANS' AFFAIRS

The job training program in California for World War II veterans under the G.I. Bill has passed its peak under present laws and conditions, Veterans Administration the 200 per cent mark in relation reported today.

The peak was reached in November of last year when 34,628 veterans were training on-the-job. Steady monthly decreases since on meat, dairy products and eggs then cut the total to 23,213 by last chiefly responsible.

VA said the principal factors in the decline were the cellings on lincome plus subsistence allowance above the June, 1946 level. Rents and the two-year limits on all job- went up more than 2 per cent in training (other than apprenticeship the month, BLS said, because of training) imposed in August, 1946. rent hikes allowed under the 1947 The income cellings provide that Wolcott rent law.

Steady Future For Printers Is Predicted

thousands of job openings in printing trades may be expected during the next few years. according to a study released by the Bureau of Labor Statis-

Apprenticeship opportunities will all times. If you do not know if be available to a larger number of the union has the right address, young men than usual. The long- why not call the office at once to run trend in employment in most | make sure? printing occupations is upward. GOOD JOB TENURE a veteran without dependents and

Workers already employed or who enter now while prospects are well under way, as is excavation good are, therefore, likely to be

This report is based on original shortly. vear limitations were imposed beresearch financed, in part by the cause they had already completed the maximum training allowed. Veterans Administration. It was Additional discontinuances resulted prepared by the Bureau's Occupaas other job-training programs tional Outlook Service as an aid in helping young people and veterans to make a choice of an occupation. It contains a detailed anal-World War II veterans deciding ysis of the employment situation to study overseas may be able to in the individual printing occupaqualify for benefits under the Ful- tions.

bright Act and the GI Bill at the OUTLOOK ENCOURAGING In general, the report suggests

same time. Veterans Administraan encouraging employment out-The ruling held that payment of look. Before the war about one education and training benefits un- out of every ten skilled and semider the GI Bill may be made to skilled printing workers was unstudent-veterans regardless of any employed. This situation changed grants made them under the Ful- rapidly during the war, however, bright Act, since the funds used to with the drain of manpower into administer the Fulbright Act by the armed services and war industhe Department of State were not tries and the lack of young apsecured from United States Gov- prentices.

By the end of World War II As a result, World War II vetthere was a serious labor shortage. erans qualifying for foreign study Since V-J Day, former employees under both laws may receive benehave been rehired and a considerfits allowed them under the Ful- able number of new trainees taken bright Act as supplemental to the on.

Printing and publishing indusbenefits provided them by the GI tries are expected to expand fur-Under the Servicemen's Read- ther during the next few years, asjustment Act (GI Bill), World War suming a continuing high level of II veterans may study in a VA business activity. Most openings approved foreign educational insti- will probably be in the big newstution under the same provisions paper, periodical and book and job that apply to study in a college or

Protest Use of Coolie Labor in N. Caledonia

monthly subsistence alolwances of NOUMEA-French colonial auents or \$90 to veterans with dethorities here have asked Gen. Douglas MacArthur to send 5,000 Japanese coolie laborers to work in New Caledonia nickel mines. and Sal Estada. At Meyenburg admission to the institution they The French authorities want the workers sent over under the prewar contract system, which tied the workers to their jobs at starvation wages. Opposition to the move is expected from Australia and New Zealand, neighbors of French colony.

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Retail Food Costs Up 40 Per Cent Phone 3348 In Year, Reported Prescriptions WASHINGTON - Retail food prices were 40 per cent above the

level of June, 1946-last days of bor Statistics figures for mid-Sep-398 ALVARADO ST MONTEREY, CALIF tember of this year were added up, BLS announced November 14. Covering foods bought by middle-income families in 18 large cities, the BLS survey reported **Exquisite Jewelry** retail food prices had zoomed over to the prewar base period of 1935-

BLS reported a preliminary in-State Theatre Bldg. Ph. 6882 421 Alvarado St., Monterey

CARPENTER ROUNDUP

ATTENTION, ALL MEMBERS OF LOCAL 925:

It is important that all carpenters of Salinas Local 925 keep the union office advised of correct addresses at all time. Frequently, members move from the address listed in the union offive. Then when the union wants to contact these members, for one reason or another, it is impossible.

Please keep the union office tion in regard to wage adjustments for carpenters on lumber working equipment in various Salinas lum-**Report Growing**

Excavation for the building to house the Salinas Californian is for the new Woolworth building. Both jobs will call for carpenters Per Cent Firms

At the Penney job and the Sears percenters - corporations which store project, the floors are almost have increased their profits 300% completed and erection of side or more over last year-continued to grow as quarterly financial walls is starting. statements were made public here.

There is a report current that Salinas that the Santa Lucia Inn Chrysler Corp., which announced a may expand to a capacity of 200 profit take of \$47,873,089 for the rooms over a period of time. Such first nine months of this year coma project would call for numerous pared to \$10,292,645 in the same

erecting the new radio transmitter 577,395 profit.

248 JOHN ST.

period last year. Western Union Telegraph Co. did Carpenters, bricklayers and la- even better, converting last year's porers are busy on Toro Peak \$10 420,174 deficit into a tidy \$7,-The Moore - McCormack Lines. Inc., a shipping company, was not Local 925 still is waiting for that too far behind with an increase meeting with the Citizens Associa- from \$2,610,257 to \$7,134,986.

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The assessment from Local 483

will be collected with the Decem-

Monte Lodge, burial will be at

very important to all of us that

brought up for general discussion

Many members have mentioned

various houses under contract, I

have criticism or comments con-

cerning union business to offer,

prietors of the establishment. The primary reason for main-

taining a union hall is to have at

all times a private place in which

to discuss our union business. So

please bring your troubles to the

union hall, and let's discuss the

An old English charwoman,

Gone to His Reward

GEORGE L. RICE,

Secretary.

union office.

War Office?"

from my boy himself."

on earth could you do that?"

The executive board meeting on November 17, decided to present recommendations concerning items of current interest to the membership meetings in the future, in the hope that such the Taft-Hartley slave labor recommendations will stimulate discussion from the floor. The law, high prices, no houses, plan was placed into effect at the general meeting of the same spare-the-rich taxes, etc. date, and apparently is going to be a real aid to general dis-

In addition, the Executive Board | the Welfare Fund and not in the voted unanimously to present Sis- General Fund. (This motion will ter Penny Caldwell with a gold be brought up for further diswaitress pin in recognition of her cussion at the next regular meetfine job of selling tickets to the ing.) recent dance. The runner-up in the sales contest, Willie McKenzie of A motion was made, seconded sented with a gold pin.

cember 1, at 2:30 p.m. Let's all for members and their families these winners a good hand for arrange the party will be appointtheir hard work.

The California Wine Institute the meeting was adjourned, and representative, Jack Paslaqua, will refreshments were served. be present at the December 1st meeting to show movies prepared by his organization. The picture of the sudden death of Sister is brief, but of great interest to Grace Turnbull Jennings, who all waiters, waitresses and bar- was killed in an auto crash at tenders who sell and serve wine.

At the regular meeting, nomin- vember 7, 1945, when she was ations were opened for Trustees employed at the Rainbow Cafe. to serve out the unexpired terms She later went to work for Del of two members who have missed Monte Lodge, where she was emmore than three Executive Board ployed at the time of her tragic meetings, thereby having forfeited death. She remained in good their office, according to the con- standing with the local during all stitution. Roy Brewer, bartender the time of her membership, so from the San Carlos; Tommy her heirs are entitled to the full Nowell, from the El Nido; and death benefit payment. Carl Puhl from Mission Inn were nominated for the vacancies. Nominations will again be opened at ber dues, and the total remitted the next meeting, and the vote to her estate. According to Herb will be taken at a subsequent Seimsen, manager of the Del

There was considerable discus- girlhood home. Local 483 will, of sion concerning administration of course, send flowers and an exthe new Welfare Fund. It was pression of sympathy to the famtentatively decided to use the ily. money for aid to sick or disabled given will be made by the Execthe recent regular meeting, utive Board. Checks will be drawn brought up the subject of our by the temporary custodians of present contracts and wage scales, the fund, Harvey Rose and George in relation to the current high

and carried to send Bro. Frank However, it was decided to call a Hagen, a long-time patient at the special meeting for Wednesday County Hospital at Salinas, a evening, December 3, 1947, at check for \$25 from our Welfare which time the subject will be

and carried to assess each member ing conditions and wages of all a 50-cent fine for non-attendance of us, so don't fail to attend and of one meeting per month, the voice your opinion on the floor of fines so collected to be placed in the meeting hall.

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To Lick Tories Labor Has Got To Fight Hard

By STETSON KENNEDY

All branches of organized labor have been talking about putting out of Congress the men who are responsible for

In convention assembled, the AFL, CIO, Railroad Brotherhoods and independents have all pledged themselves to purge Congress of these agents of Wall Street in the election next year.

TAKES MORE THAN WORDS But it takes a lot more than words to take bad men out of Conthe Casa staff, will also be pre- and carried that the union have gress and put good ones in. You

a pre-Christmas party at the Un- can't win elections like you can a The presentation will be made ion Hall on Sunday evening, De- card game, with pure luck. Victory at the next meeting, Monday, De- cember 14, and that the party be at the polls takes planning, working and spending. The stakes are turn out for the meeting and give and guests only. A committee to high and labor has got to get in right now. Labor's enemies never ed at the next regular meeting. Following the above discussion,

Labor lost in '44 because it was too busy producing the weapons of war to take time off to vote. That year only 57 per cent of the po-Word was received this week tential voters went to the polls in the free-voting states, and in the polltax states only 19 per cent voted. Those figures have got to be Malibu Beach on November 17. jacked way up in '48-and it's up Grace joined Local 483 on Noto the unions to do the job. LABOR HOLIDAY

The idea of making election day a holiday, with or without the bosses' consent, is a great one. But besides getting out its own vote, labor must do all it can to encourage informed voting by all

POLLTAX, WHITE PRIMARY As labor well knows, the vested interests have been running Congress and the country pretty much to suit themselves in the last few years. This is accomplished by a bipartisan coalition of the congressional henchmen of these interests.

Canyon City, Colorado, Grace's In the south, these guys are kept in office by the polltax and white primary. Some 18 Claghorns have thus "served" for over 20 years. The turnover among congressmer in free-voting states has been 70 And now for an important note garding the amount of help to be to everyone. The membership, at per cent greater than in the deep south. These southern birds literally rule the Washington roost. By virtue of their seniority they have garnered three times their cost of living. This subject is so twice their share in the Senate.

Committee to Abolish the Polltax (127 B St. SE, Washington, D.C.) to clear the path to the polls.

A motion was made, seconded meeting can well affect the work-Sell at Cost

that they frequently overhear food at cost to 8000 to 9000 famconversations relating to the busiilies will be opened here by two ness of the union being carried on AFL unions. in public places. And very often,

The enterprise, sponsored by the while making my rounds of the United Aluminum Tin & Foil Workers and the Metal Polishers Intl. am approached by members who Union, will not be run as a costore subject to taxes. It was hoped occasionally in the presence of this would save it from the fate customers of the house or the pro- of a Lexington, Ky., co-op, which to do business with it.

With or Without



Barbara Jo Walker, Miss America 1947, looks as well with clothes on as she does in a bathing suit. In case you're actually looking at the dress-it's a cotton taffeta "everglaze" affair that "weaves magic into ordinary cotton mate rials," according to the publicity

SHOT IN ARM, OR HANDOUT?





Secretary of State George Marshall (left) and GOP White House hopeful Senator Robert A. Taft (R., at Houston, Tex. The company had Ohio) differ sharply on how much aid should be sent an authorized capital of 250,000 of to Europe from the U.S. in coming months. Marshall has asked Congress to approve a \$597,000,000 immedi- a group of 17 investors in New ate stop-gap program, which Taft says is too much. In addition, the "Marshall Plan" for European self-help, ates in the Wall Street investment involving \$71/2 billion over 15 months, is opposed by house of Dillon Read & Co., Inc. Taft who instead wants to "economize" by providing Atty. J. Ross Gamble, 38, a special-'aid to western Europe in reasonable amounts.'

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Congress would have been ridiculed back in 1938 if it had passed a law which would eventually guarantee a minimum

Yet the minimum wage law passed in 1938 does exactly that in terms of today's purchasing power.

Here's how it works:

The law sets a minimum wage of 40 cents an hour. Today 40 cents will buy only as much as 24 cents bought back in 1939. So the \$16 guaranteed wage actually has shrunk to

That should explain why labor so strongly favors increasing the minimum wage to 75 cents an hour.

The minimum would have to be boosted to 66 cents an hour for us to keep abreast of 1939 conditions, which weren't

We believe 75 would be most reasonable-especially in view of the fat profits industry is piling up.

State Dept. Prates of Freedom As American Imperialists Help Smash Unions in Latin America

By "OBSERVER"

Our State Department is very quick to protest against certain types of totalitarianism abroad and insists on spending tens of billions of American tax money to keep it from spreading. Right Labor would therefore do well under its nose, however-just 90 minutes flying time from Flor-A motion was made, seconded no action was taken immediately. to back in a big way the Natl. idα — α government is going the Taft-Hartley-ites one better. It is deliberately trying to destroy the labor movement. That government is Cuba. American sugar monopolists who control about half of the sugar crop in Cuba are egging the Cuban

> Right on the eve of a scheduled meeting of representatives of sugar workers to form a strong hemisphere federation of unions in the sugar industry to improve wage scales, the Some 500 trade union leaders were thrown into jail and held for three days. Meantime all union headquarters were raided, funds and other properties seized and turned over to new "leaders" approved by the government. This is mailed-fist fascism, pure and simple—the kind of corporated grocery store to bring thing that went on all over Germany and Italy in the palmy days of Adolf and Benito. These events in Cuba followed shortly after the government in

Chile broke the miners' strike with wholesale jailings, shootings, beatings and evictions, with United States business and diplomatic representatives looking on with grinning approval. All this is a manifestation of fascism, and it is all related to Amer-

ican imperialism. It is beginning to crop up everywhere in Latin and Central America where American corporate interests have heavy inoperative but as an incorporated vestments and interests in oil, nitrates, sugar, bananas, coffee and And our State Department, posing as the champion of freedom for

of a Lexington, Ky., co-op, which folded because wholesalers refused described by the description of the des

Profits (Reports) Scare Publishers

NEW YORK-Industry can make 'em, but newspapers had better be careful how they report those record profits, they were warned here by the news publishers' Bible, Editor & Publisher.

Concerned lest straight reporting of new all-time high profits "inadvertently add grist to the mill of left-wing critics of our profit

system," E & P warned: "Financial stories often play up record dividend or net profit figures without picturing them in relation to total sales, total payroll,

or any other figure that might portray them in their true perspective. Thus a public misconception of exorbitant profits is created with its resultant criticism of the profit system.' Newspaper editors were therefore urged to help "educate the pub-

lic" by "clarifying" their financial stories. Which means the figures will still be there, you'll just have to look harder to find them.

"HMPH, THESE FOREIGNERS - MY ANCESTORS CAME OVER ON THE MAYFLOWER"



INVESTORS SHOW HOW TO GET RICH

WASHINGTON-A true story of American financing and how fortunes are made overnight furnishes fine escape reading for the minerun citizen who worries about the grocery bill and wonders whether he'll meet next month's rent. Such a story was released by the

Federal Securities & Exchange Commission. It deals with the sale by Uncle Sam of his war-built "Big" and "Little Inch Pipelines" which carried petroleum from Texas to the ports of the eastern seaboard. Last January a group of 28 in-

vestors formed the Texas Eastern Transmission Corp. by putting up the dollar shares, but only 150,000 were sold. These shares went to York, Washington, D.C., Texas and Louisiana, as well as to 11 associ-

ist in natural gas law, who got up \$2500 for 2500 shares in Texas Eastern before it purchased the two pipelines at a bid of \$143,127,-

On November 7, the 150,000 original shares were reclassified with the federal agency's approval on the basis of seven shares for one, into 1,050,000 shares of new stock worth a cool \$9,975,000 on the basis of a public sale price of \$9.50 per

Gamble is the only holder to offer shares for sale at the public offering. His 2500 shares became 17,500 shares overnight and he plans to sell 14,000 of them for a tidy \$133,000 less taxes and comrun around \$119,000, that he can bank and still retain shares worth \$33,250. All that for letting go of \$2500 for 11 months.

Says U. S. Heads **Toward Fascism**

The United States is marching toward "an American brand of fascism" unless people's movements are quickly alerted, Dr. Morris Mitchell, executive secretary of the Southeastern Cooperative League, charged at a co-op meeting in Superior,

"The American brand is a combination of large business, the state department, and the military," he declared.

"The awful part of it is that this situation is an involuntary outgrowth of our economic progress. Most business leaders are human beings like you and me, caught in an uncontrollable web that has been in the making since the beginning of the Industrial Revolution."

IF YOU DON'T WEAKEN -

Pressure from chick-producers finally forced Washington to end 'chickenless Thursdays."

Wonder why pressure from the people can't force Washington to bring meat prices down and eliminate "meatless most-days."

The Russians say the "secret of the atomic bomb" is no longer a secret. U.S. Army officials think that's hokum and say its "sounds like somebody is having a pipe dream."

The neighborhood barber says he'd just as soon wait a couple of hundred years to find out who's

Wonderful actors, some congress

The Senate war investigating committee, after two years, finally stumbled over an army procurement officer who picked up a little dough "on the side" during the war. And the good senators actually looked startled at the idea!

The NAM has decided something has to be done about those oversized profits.

Reduce them? Heavens, no! They're working out a new bookkeeping system that makes a \$10 million profit look like a "mere 5c on the dollar."

Italian Gas Workers Strike for Pay Hike

ROME-A nationwide strike of gas workers to force consideration of their wage demands occurred here. The strike is being applied progressively, starting in Rome and becoming effective gradually in other key cities.

While Rome was without gas as a result of the walkout, the workers in Milan remained at the gasworks and power stations, supplying the city with free gas and electricity.

Company spokesmen, who usually decry strikes on the grounds that they are against the public interest, were even more incensed about the situation in Milan, where the public was not affected adversely, than about Rome. The action of the Milan workers, company spokesmen charged, is "sa-

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missions, while keeping 3500 shares himself. His net on the deal will run around \$119,000, that he can

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